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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1-14. (canceled)

15. (currently amended): A liposome preparation consisting essentially of comprising a natural bilayer-forming lipid component and an active ingredient component,

wherein the lipid component consists of a bilayer forming lipid phospholipid concentration of between 1.0% to 2.0% (w/w) of the liposome preparation, and

wherein the active ingredient component comprises one or more components selected from the group consisting of micronutrients, proteins, immunoglobulins, vitamins and minerals.

16-17. (canceled)

- 18. (currently amended): The liposome preparation of claim 15, wherein the lipid component is selected from the group consisting of glycerolphospholipids glycerophospholipids, sphingophospholipids, and mixtures thereof.
- 19. (currently amended): The liposome preparation of claim 15, wherein the lipid component is selected from the group consisting of glyceroglycolipids, sphinogoglycolipids sphinogoglycolipids, and mixtures thereof.
- 20. (previously presented): The liposome preparation of claim 15, further comprising a stabilizer, wherein the stabilizer is selected from the group consisting of cholesterol, stigmasterol, carrageenan, and mixtures thereof.
- 21. (previously presented): The liposome preparation of claim 20, wherein the concentration of the stabilizer comprises 0.05% to 30% w/w of the liposome preparation.
- 22. (previously presented): The liposome preparation of claim 15, wherein the micronutrients consist of thiamine HCl and ferrous sulfate.

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- 23. (canceled)
- 24. (previously presented): The liposome preparation of claim 15 that is useful in a nutritional supplement or an infant formula.